BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Monterey-Salinas Transit
April 8, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1. Roll call.

1-2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Orozco called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Roll call was taken and the pledge of allegiance followed.

Present:
Tony Barrera City of Salinas
Victoria Beach City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Kristin Clark City of Del Rey Oaks
Alan Cohen City of Pacific Grove
Libby Downey City of Monterey
Alvin Edwards City of Seaside
Randy Hurley City of Greenfield
Frank O’Connell City of Marina
Maria Orozco City of Gonzales
David Pendergrass City of Sand City
Patricia Stephens City of Soledad

Absent:
Fernando Armenta County of Monterey
Terry Hughes City of King

Staff:
Carl Sedoryk General Manager/CEO
Hunter Harvath Asst. General Manager/Finance & Administration
Deanna Smith Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board
Michael Hernandez Asst. General Manager/COO
Kelly Halcon Director of Human Resources & Risk Management
Robert Weber Director of Transportation Services
Mark Eccles Director of IT
Tom Hicks CTSA Manager
Zoe Shoats Marketing Analyst
Lou Doll Safety/Training Officer
Sandra Amorim Purchasing Manager
Heidi Quinn General Counsel/De Lay & Laredo

Others:
Dave Pacheco City of Seaside
Margaret Osborne Seaside Resident
Eric Petersen
Apology is made for any misspelling of a name.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2-1. Review highlights of Agenda.

Mr. Sedoryk provided the Highlights of the agenda.

2-2. Adopt Resolution 2013-22 recognizing Tiziano Minelli, Coach Operator, as Employee of the Month for April, 2013.

2-3. Disposal of property left aboard buses.


2-5. Minutes of the Strategic Planning Workshop of March 18, 2013.


2-8. Authorize purchase and configuration of hardware and software for a Virtual Machine (VM) server system.

2-9. Authorize payment for an emergency back-up generator.


Director Edwards pulled Consent Item # 2-9, requesting whether the generator was under warranty or if the fault was a power outage. Mr. Sedoryk stated that the generator was twenty (20) years old, although MST is reviewing whether an insurance claim can be made.

Public Comment - none.

Director Cohen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Director Edwards. The motion carried unanimously.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

3-1. April Employee of the Month – Tiziano Minelli, Coach Operator.
Mr. Minelli was not present.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

   No Public Comment.

5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

   *No action required.*


   Public Comment – none.

6. **BIDS/PROPOSALS**

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

   7-1. Conduct Public Hearing for Emergency Service Reduction and service changes for Carmel and Pacific Grove areas.

   Mr. Harvath conducted the last of a series of nine (9) Public Hearings regarding service changes including changes to Carmel and Pacific Grove, implementation of the MST summer schedule to begin on May 27, 2013, and the possible Emergency Service Reductions resulting from possible withholding of federal funds as a result of the Amalgamated Transit Union, International’s (ATU) dispute over the California Public Employee Pension Reform Act (PEPRA) and objection to the DOL to release grant funds. His presentation detailed all proposed and planned service changes and reductions on all affected MST bus lines in all MST jurisdictions.

   Director Beach complimented Mr. Harvath for the successful Public Hearing in Carmel. She requested that the issue of transfer fees be addressed along with service reductions, and recommended that Wi-Fi be included on all buses if possible.

   Director Cohen asked if Pacific Grove employees of the hospitality industry would have access to service.

   A discussion of possible revisions to fare and transfer structures was discussed. Mr. Harvath and Mr. Sedoryk confirmed that if MST had to implement the Emergency Service Reduction, it is likely that fares would be adjusted to reflect a service downgrade, and transfer fees would be a part of that adjustment.

   **Public Comment**

   Ms. Osborne requested information on transfer times for Lines 9 and 10, and stated she believed riders are abusing the system and costing MST revenue. She complimented MST on its public outreach during this series of Public Hearings and is excited about Line 94.
Director Edwards asked if we were completely ready to implement the Emergency Service changes on June 29, 2013.

**Director Edwards made a motion to approve the Emergency Service Reduction plan and to agendize proposed changes to MST fare structure for the MST May Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Cohen and carried unanimously.**

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

10. **REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS**

*No action required.*


10-4. Staff trip reports.

10-5. Correspondence.

11. **COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

11-1. Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at MST expense (AB1234).

Director Stephens thanked the Board and Staff for the opportunity to attend the APTA Legislative Conference in March.

Chair Orozco stated that she attended the Transit 101 conference in Sacramento in March and learned a great deal about transit funding.

11-2. Board Member Comments and Announcements.

Director Edwards thanked Mr. Harvath for provided an update to the Seaside City Council and complimented the new JAZZ television ad.

11-3. Board Member Referrals for future agendas.

Director Downey requested that Board travel to conferences in Washington, D.C. be agendized for discussion given the recommendations by the MST federal lobbyist and MST’s financial situation.
12. ATTACHMENTS

13. CLOSED SESSION

As permitted by Government Code §64956 et seq. of the State of California, the Board of Directors may adjourn to Closed Session to consider specific matters dealing with personnel and/or pending possible litigation and/or conferring with the Board's Meyers-Milias-Brown Act representative.

13-1 Conference with Labor Negotiators – Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1225 (ATU) and MST. §54957.6 (D. Laredo, K. Halcon)

13-2 Conference with Legal Counsel-Litigation- Meri Bautch. § 54956.9 (a) (K. Halcon) (Enclosure)

Chair Orozco moved to Closed Session at 11:02 a.m.

14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

15-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

No reportable action taken.

15. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Orozco adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

Prepared by: Deanna Smith, Deputy Secretary